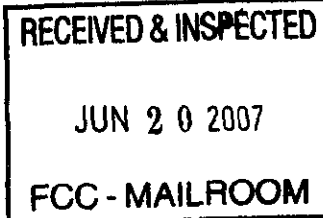


June 5, 2007

**Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554**



Re: CG Docket No. 03-123

Dear Chairman Martin, Commissioners' Adelstein, Copps, McDowell & Tate,

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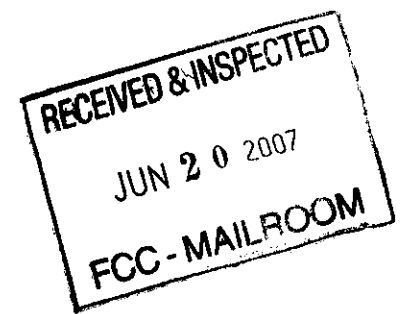
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would be much more cost efficient for businesses, schools, hospitals, etc,
to tap into using Video Relay Service, rather than having to use very
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Very truly yours,

Keith A. Walker
cawbox 82 @ yahoo.com

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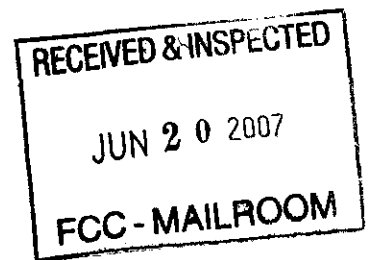
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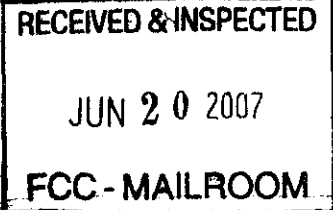
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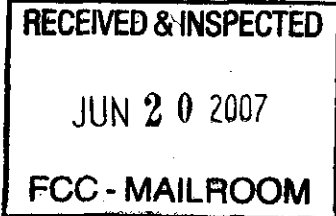
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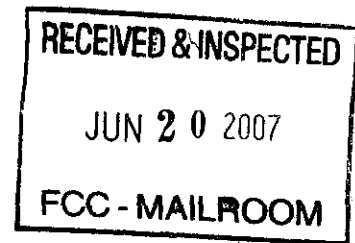


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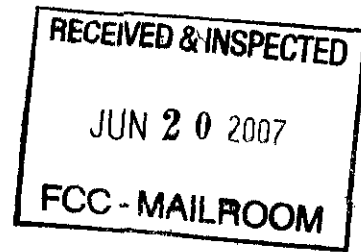
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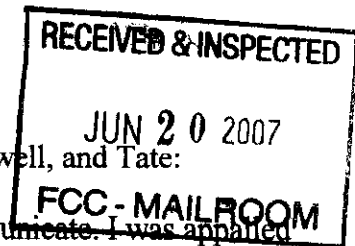
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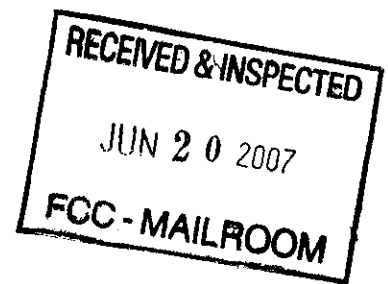
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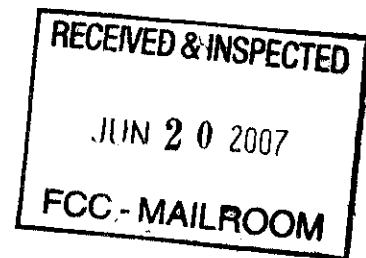
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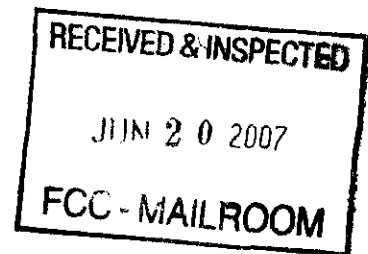
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JUN 20 2007

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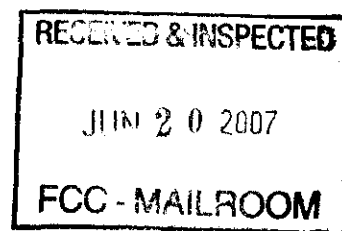
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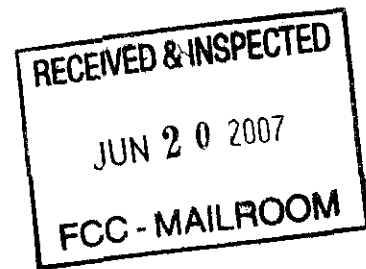
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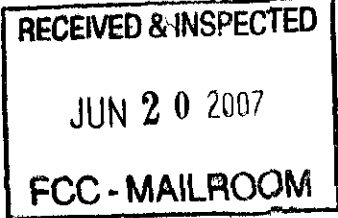
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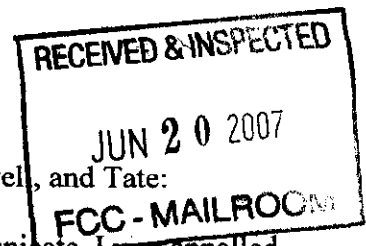
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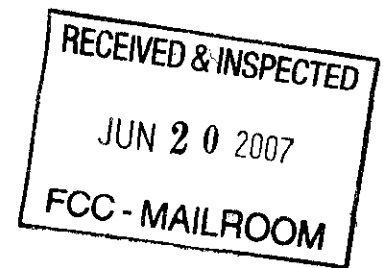
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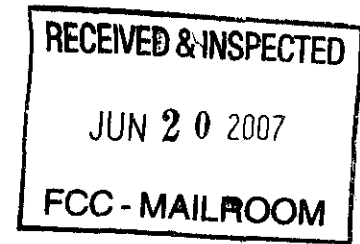
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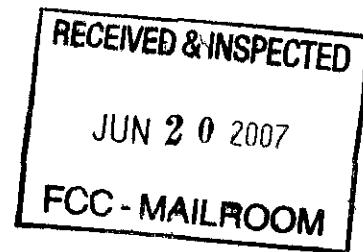
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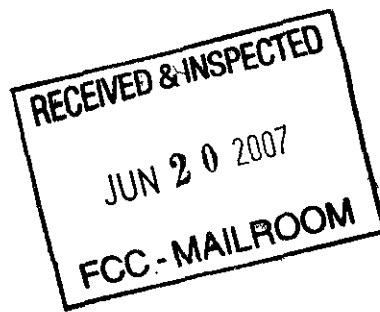
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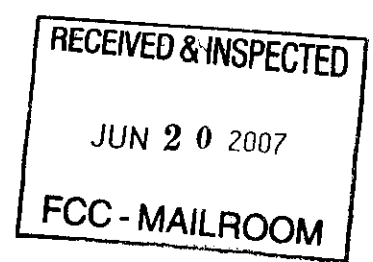
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6/10/07

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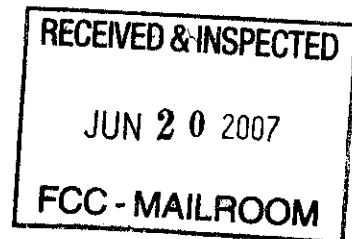
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